

What Do You Know About Archeology?

Topic: Anthropology

Subtopic: Archaeology

Type: Activity

Level: for grades 3 and up

Time: Less than 1 period

Origin: OLogy

Keywords:

Antiquities • Archaeologists • Archaeology--Field work • Excavations (Archaeology) • Pottery • Science--Methodology • Scientific apparatus and instruments

MORE ABOUT THIS RESOURCE

This OLogy activity tests kids' knowledge about excavation strategies, the tools archaeologists use, and more with an interactive quiz.

- The 10-question multiple-choice test covers a wide range of topics, from "Why do archaeologists create a map of the site before they dig?" to "Archaeologists look for different soil layers that they identify by color and texture. If the layers haven't been disturbed, what can they tell us?"
- After making their 10 selections, kids can check their answers with a page that shows them how they did on each question and offers an explanation of the right answers.

TEACHER TIPS

Supplement a study of ancient civilizations with a classroom project drawn from this kid-friendly quiz on archaeology.

1. Individually or in small groups, have students explore the online ArchaeOlogy: Clue from the Past feature, making sure they take the interactive "What Do You Know?" quiz.
2. Divide the class into small groups. Have each create its own 10-question multiple-choice quiz, using what they learned online.
3. Have the groups swap quizzes and test each other.

STANDARDS

National Science Education Standards

Grades K-4:

Science as Inquiry CONTENT STANDARD A:

- abilities necessary to do scientific inquiry

Physical Science CONTENT STANDARD B:

- properties of objects and materials

History and Nature of Science CONTENT STANDARD G:

- science as a human endeavor

Grades 5-8:

Science as Inquiry CONTENT STANDARD A:

- abilities necessary to do scientific inquiry

Physical Science CONTENT STANDARD B:

- properties and changes of properties in matter

History and Nature of Science CONTENT STANDARD G:

- science as a human endeavor

Grades 9-12:

Science as Inquiry CONTENT STANDARD A:

- abilities necessary to do scientific inquiry

History and Nature of Science CONTENT STANDARD G:

- science as a human endeavor